

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A television program apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining information regarding a number of television programs
watched by a viewer;

5 means for producing a viewer program signal from the obtained information
representative of each television program watched by the viewer arranged in a predetermined
manner; and

means adapted to be coupled to a television unit for enabling said viewer
program signal to be supplied to said television unit so as to enable an indication of each said
10 television program watched by the viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined
manner.

2. A television program apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising
means for enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

3. A television program apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the means
15 for obtaining information includes viewer recognition means for recognizing the viewer.

4. A television program apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining information regarding a number of television programs
watched by a viewer;

means for producing a viewer program signal from the obtained information
20 representative of each television program watched by the viewer arranged in a predetermined
manner; and

means for enabling said viewer program signal to be supplied to a television
unit located at a location remote from the television program apparatus so as to enable an
indication of each said television program watched by the viewer to be displayed thereon in
25 said predetermined manner.

5. A television program apparatus according to claim 4, further comprising means for enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

6. A television program apparatus according to claim 4, wherein the means for obtaining information includes viewer recognition means for recognizing the viewer.

5 7. An apparatus for providing indications of items pertaining to a user, said apparatus comprising:

means for obtaining information regarding at least one of a television program or programs watched by the user, television program or programs to be watched by the user, an activity or activities in which the user has participated, and an activity or activities the user
10 is scheduled to participated;

means for producing a program/activity signal representative of each television program or activity arranged in a predetermined manner; and

means for enabling said program/activity signal to be supplied to at least one television unit located at a location remote from the apparatus so as to enable an indication of
15 each said television program and activity to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

8. An apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising means for enabling comments to be inserted into the television program or activity display.

9. An apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the means for obtaining
20 information includes recognition means for recognizing the user.

10. A television program method comprising the steps of:

obtaining information regarding a number of television programs watched by a viewer;

producing a viewer program signal from the obtained information
representative of each television program watched by the viewer arranged in a predetermined
manner; and

enabling said viewer program signal to be supplied to a television unit so as to
5 enable an indication of each said television program watched by the viewer to be displayed
thereon in said predetermined manner.

11. A television program method according to claim 10, further comprising
the step of enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

12. A television program method according to claim 10, wherein the
10 obtaining step includes recognizing the viewer by use of a viewer recognition device.

13. A television program method comprising the steps of:
obtaining information regarding a number of television programs watched by a
viewer;

producing a viewer program signal from the obtained information
15 representative of each television program watched by the viewer arranged in a predetermined
manner; and

enabling said viewer program signal to be supplied to a television unit located
at a remote location so as to enable an indication of each said television program watched by
the viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

14. A television program method according to claim 13, further comprising
the step of enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

15. A television program method according to claim 13, wherein the
obtaining step includes recognizing the viewer by use of a viewer recognition device.

16. A method for providing indications of items pertaining to a user, said
25 method comprising the steps of:

obtaining information regarding at least one of a television program or programs watched by the user, television program or programs to be watched by the user, an activity or activities in which the user has participated, and an activity or activities the user is scheduled to participate;

5 producing a program/activity signal representative of each television program or activity arranged in a predetermined manner; and

 enabling said program/activity signal to be supplied to at least one television unit located at a remote location so as to enable an indication of each said television program and activity to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

10 17. A method according to claim 16, further comprising the step of enabling comments to be inserted into the television program or activity display.

 18. A method according to claim 16, wherein the obtaining step includes recognizing the user by use of a recognition device.

 19. A television program apparatus comprising:

15 means for obtaining information regarding a number of television programs watched by at least one viewer;

 means for producing a television program signal representative of a plurality of broadcasted television programs arranged in a predetermined manner in which each television program watched by each viewer is indicated therein; and

20 means for enabling said television program signal to be supplied to a television unit so as to enable the plurality of broadcasted television programs along with an indication of each said television program watched by each said viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

 20. A television program apparatus according to claim 19, further comprising
25 means for enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

21. A television program apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the means for obtaining information includes viewer recognition means for recognizing the viewer.

22. A television program apparatus according to claim 19, wherein the obtaining means obtains information regarding a number of television programs watched by
5 more than one viewer.

23. A television program method comprising the steps of:

obtaining information regarding a number of television programs watched by
at least one viewer;

producing a television program signal representative of a plurality of
10 broadcasted television programs arranged in a predetermined manner in which each
television program watched by each viewer is indicated therein; and

enabling said television program signal to be supplied to a television unit so as
to enable the plurality of broadcasted television programs along with an indication of each
said television program watched by each said viewer to be displayed thereon in said
predetermined manner.
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24. A television program method according to claim 23, further comprising
the step of enabling comments to be inserted into the television program display.

25. A television program method according to claim 23, wherein the
obtaining step includes recognizing the viewer by use of a viewer recognition device.

26. A television program method according to claim 23, wherein the
obtaining step obtains information regarding a number of television programs watched by
more than one viewer.

27. A television program apparatus comprising:

an input device which obtains information regarding a number of television
25 programs watched by a viewer;

a processor arranged to receive the obtained information from the input device which produces a viewer program signal from the received information representative of each television program watched by the viewer arranged in a predetermined manner; and

an output interface which enables said viewer program signal to be supplied to a television unit so as to enable an indication of each said television program watched by the viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

28. A television program apparatus according to claim 27, further comprising a viewer input device which enables comments to be inserted into the television program display.

29. A television program apparatus according to claim 27, wherein the input device includes a viewer recognition circuit which recognizes the viewer.

30. An apparatus for providing indications of items pertaining to a user, said apparatus comprising:

an input device which obtains information regarding at least one of a television program or programs watched by the user, television program or programs to be watched by the user, an activity or activities in which the user has participated, and an activity or activities the user is scheduled to participated;

a processor arranged to receive the obtained information from the input device which produces a program/activity signal representative of each television program or activity arranged in a predetermined manner; and

an output interface which enables said program/activity signal to be supplied to at least one television unit so as to enable an indication of each said television program and activity to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

31. An apparatus according to claim 30, further comprising a user input device which enables comments to be inserted into the television program or activity display.

32. An apparatus according to claim 30, wherein the input device includes a recognition circuit which recognizes the user.

33. A television program apparatus comprising:

an input device which obtains information regarding a number of television
5 programs watched by at least one viewer;

a processor arranged to receive the obtained information from the input device which produces a television program signal representative of a plurality of broadcasted television programs arranged in a predetermined manner in which each television program watched by each viewer is indicated therein; and

10 an output interface which enables said television program signal to be supplied to a television unit so as to enable the plurality of broadcasted television programs along with an indication of each said television program watched by each said viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

34. A television program apparatus according to claim 33, further comprising
15 a viewer input device which enables comments to be inserted into the television program display.

35. A television program apparatus according to claim 33, wherein the input device includes a viewer recognition circuit which recognizes the viewer.

36. A television program apparatus according to claim 33, wherein the input
20 device obtains information regarding a number of television programs watched by more than one viewer.

37. A system having a plurality of apparatuses arranged so as to communicate with each other and each adapted to be coupled to a display device for providing a display of items pertaining to at least one user, each apparatus comprising:

an input device which obtains information regarding at least one of a television program or programs watched by a user, television program or programs to be watched by the user, an activity or activities in which the user has participated, and an activity or activities the user is scheduled to participated;

5 a processor arranged to receive the obtained information from the input device which produces a program/activity signal representative of each television program or activity arranged in a predetermined manner; and

an output interface which enables said program/activity signal to be supplied to a display device coupled to the respective apparatus and to another apparatus having
10 another display device coupled thereto so as to enable an indication of each said television program and activity to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

38. A system according to claim 37, wherein each apparatus further comprises a user input device which enables comments to be inserted into the television program or activity display.

39. A system having a plurality of apparatuses arranged so as to communicate with each other and each adapted to be coupled to a display device for providing a display of items pertaining to at least one viewer, each apparatus comprising:

an input device which obtains information regarding a number of television programs watched by at least one viewer;

20 a processor arranged to receive the obtained information from the input device which produces a television program signal representative of a plurality of broadcasted television programs arranged in a predetermined manner in which each television program watched by each viewer is indicated therein; and

an output interface which enables said television program signal to be supplied
25 to a display device coupled to the respective apparatus and to another apparatus having

another display device coupled thereto so as to enable the plurality of broadcasted television programs along with an indication of each said television program watched by each said viewer to be displayed thereon in said predetermined manner.

40. A system according to claim 39, wherein each apparatus further
- 5 comprises a user input device which enables comments to be inserted into the television program or activity display.

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